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#### Comments:

I have worked in the Zipline industry for several years now and can say that the over whelming numbers of operators in Hawaii are in support of regulation which mirrors the standards that the industry has already been using for years. These standards are continuously monitored and revised much like the building code. This bill spells this out and gives specifics with the definition as read in section 1 "Challenge course standards". It is a focused bill designed for a specific task.

I am largely in support of bill 2060 as it provides the best opportunity for public safety and Zipline staff to ensure standards to which they can all be measured using existing international models long establish in this industry. I am concerned however that the Department in offering an inspection for \$100 may be biting off more then they can chew. In section 5 under permits; application; annual inspection (c) states: that the Department shall perform an inspection. It goes on to say that the department shall accept and may approve inspection reports provided by the operator from QCCP inspectors.

I typically pay \$5,000 or more and my inspections. A fee of \$100 is incredibly unrealistic at the majority of courses and may set a bad precedent. Professional inspections last days and cover in great detail highly specific items as they relate to nationally recognized standards. My inspectors work at heights of up to 600' performing these visual inspections as well as using instrument specific to the industry. These positions require an extensive understanding of a very specialized field. I would invite any lawmaker to attend one of these inspections. I will gladly make available to them the finished report accepted by our insurance carrier.

I think a possible lack of understanding of the depth and intensity, which is engaged in these inspections, may be the problem. Further more there is tremendous liability on the part of any agency offering inspections of a Zipline for use. This will typically be the first place that will be challenged in the event of any injury. If there is an effort to make these inspections cheap, or more available then good practice advices, then the State will certainly be at fault. I firmly believe that inspections must be held by QCCP inspectors.

I feel strongly that the Dept. of Labor and industrial relations be the issuing department in this endeavor. I believe it is consistent with the department in it's current capacity. I do not think it appropriate for the Dept. of Land and Natural resources to be the issuing department in this. These activities are almost exclusively held on Agricultural lands and this may be an over reach of law the DLNR's current set of responsibilities. When I get a safety inspection for my car, a trained inspector who is usually a mechanic does it, not a

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staff member from the department of motor vehicles. A safety inspection is required to have a registration, or permit to operate. While an officer may enforce this requirement if you are in violation of it, they are not required to have a detailed understanding of the mechanics of the vehicle, nor are they the issuing department for the permit (registration).

Thank you for your consideration.

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### Comments:

I will be providing written testimony at hearing. Mahalo.

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Comments:

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